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TO: THE YOUTH COMMITTEE TEAM

RE: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

Dear Cooperators/Youth Committee Team.

I am composing this motivation letter in response to your recent email with a subject "Invitation to the ICA YC Annual Plenary Meeting 28 September 2022 & Call for Executive Committee Nominations" I am an accountant at RUNALI CO-OPERATIVE UNION in Tanzania, a youth co-operative activist and a member of the ICA Youth network.

I have an experience of four years working in a co-operative organization. In all those years, I have been able to bring hundreds of people into a cooperative movement in Tanzania and in some neighboring countries by creating awareness about the importance of working together through the member owned and run organizations which are cooperatives and the importance of youth involvement in a cooperative sector. I believe many challenges facing youth today

especially unemployment and lack of capital to start businesses can be solved through cooperatives, but youth as well have an equal and even more contribution in strengthening a cooperative movement.

My motto has always been 'Youth the Engine of present-day Coops'. I relate cooperative movement as a vehicle and youth as an engine of the movement. Therefore, before we can think what cooperatives can do to the youth, we should first think what youth can do to the cooperatives.

My plan when I am elected as a member at large is to do the following:

- 1: To support fully the youth action plan in place and contribute to the next 4-year work-plan.
- 2: Expanding the ICA youth network to the yet unreached places especially in Africa where many cooperatives are unaware of the Global Cooperative Movement. I witnessed this when I made some coop visits to some African countries.
- 3: Put forward a proposal for the Global Co-op Youth village.

Finally, I would like to conclude this letter with my motto, 'Youth the Engine of present-day Coops' and the quote from the prominent spiritual teacher Eckhart Tolle "***The future is an imagined Now, a projection of the mind. When the future comes, it comes as the Now. When you think about the future, you do it now.***" So youth are the Engine of present-day coops.

Thanking you in advance for your attention to this matter,

Kind regards,

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